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## **DECLARATION FOR PATENT APPLICATION**

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the specification of which is attached hereto.

We hereby state that we have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

We acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to the examination of this application in accordance with Title 37. Code of the Federal Regulations, \$1.56(a).

We hereby claim foreign priority benefits under Title 35, U.S.C. 119(a), from Chinese patent application

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